IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

September 8, 2008

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RE: REPLY TO JULY 9, 2008 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

FOR: SERIAL NUMBER 10/604,046; ART UNIT 1797; FILED 6/24/2003; TITLE: ANTI-SPLASH, ANTI-SPILL APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR HOLDING

ANTISEPTIC SOLUTION DURING A SURGICAL PROCEDURE

EXAMINER: KEVIN JOYNER

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a detailed fourteen (14) page reply to the above-referenced final office action.

This reply is timely filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and without any claims amendments, and so no fees are due and any extension fees are to be calculated from the mailing date of any advisory action.

By and with this reply, I hereby request further examination and consideration of this application, and its allowance, based on the arguments provided herein.

Very Truly Yours,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is transmitted to the United States Patent via EFS-Web on the transmission date of September 8, 2008, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.8.

Name of Person signing this certificate: Jay R. Yablon

Serial Number: 10/604,046

Art Unit: 1797

Filing Date: 6/24/2003
Examiner: Kevin Joyner

Title of Invention: Anti-Splash, Anti-Spill Apparatus and Method

for Holding Antiseptic Solution During a Surgical Procedure

Inventor: James H. Wright

DETAILED REPLY TO JULY 9, 2008 OFFICE ACTION

Following is a detailed reply to the above-referenced office action.

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Remarks begin on page 2.

REQUEST FOR TELEPHONE INTERVIEW BEFORE SUBSEQUENT OFFICE ACTION

If the this reply does not result in allowance of all claims, applicants' counsel hereby respectfully requests a telephone interview with examiner Kevin Joyner, following receipt of this reply, and prior to issuance of an advisory action.